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To: All Competitive Electricity Providers

Re: Annual Reports for 2015 Calendar Year

ALL CEP ANNUAL REPORTS MUST BE FILED ELECTRONICALLY USING THE COMMISSION'S CASE MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (CMS) IN THE ANNUAL REPORT MODULE

Maine's electric restructuring rules require that competitive electricity providers (CEPs) submit annual reports to the Maine Public Utilities Commission (Commission) on or before July 1st of each year. These reports allow us to monitor the progress of restructuring in Maine and verify that CEPs are complying with certain portions of Maine's rules. The reporting requirements are contained in Chapters 305, 306, and 311 of the Commission's rules, which can be accessed through our web site at www.maine.gov/mpuc.

The Annual Report consists of the Report (Word document) and attachments that are included in one Excel document available on our web page at <http://www.maine.gov/mpuc/online/forms.shtml>. By completing this report, with its attachments, CEPs will have met the Commission's reporting requirements. Aggregators and brokers are only required to answer Questions Nos. 2, 3, 4, 7, 9, 15 and 16. All other CEPs, including those providing Standard Offer Service, must fully complete the report including all attachments. The annual report for calendar year 2015 is due on July 1, 2016. The annual report is a public document. However, on May 20, 2016, the Presiding Officer issued a protective order in Docket No. 2016-00091 to allow confidential treatment of the average price paid for RECs. As this is a general protective order, no parties, including the filing party, will be able to access the information in the CMS. CEPs must file both a confidential and redacted version of the reports in CMS in order to receive the confidential treatment. If the information is included in the public version, the Commission will take the position that the CEP was comfortable with the information being released. To the extent that a CEP feels that the release of any other information asked for in the report would be harmful, it must file a request for protective treatment in Docket No. 2016-00091 specifying the information to be protected, reasons the protection would be warranted and the harm that would come from the release of the information. This request must be filed prior to the July 1 filing deadline in order for the Commission to issue a protective order prior to that reporting deadline. Consistent with Commission policy, information that is publicly available elsewhere is not eligible for protective treatment.

CEPs licensed prior to 2016, including aggregators and brokers, must file this report even if there were no transactions under its license in Maine during 2015. This allows us to track the activity in the state and assures us that CEPs have not neglected

to file. Your failure to file your annual report pursuant to Chapter 305 § 2(E) may result in formal Commission action, including up to the initiation of an enforcement proceeding seeking revocation of your CEP license in accordance with § 3(A)(4).

The Commission, by Order dated October 22, 2007, Docket No. 2007-391, *Maine Public Utilities Commission, Amendment to Portfolio Requirement Rule (Chapter 311)* amended the portfolio requirements to require that beginning in 2008 a specified percentage of electricity supply that serve Maine's consumers come from "new" renewable resources. In 2015, 8% of the resources must come from Class I resources. The Commission report has been amended to reflect this requirement. If you are making Alternative Compliance Payments to meet this requirement, please send your check that indicates the CEP name and the statement "2015 Alternative Compliance Payment" to the Commission. All checks should be made out to the "Treasurer State of Maine". If you wish to make payment by electronic transfer, please contact Laurie Latendresse at 207-287-5496 for the required information. Please note that there is not an Alternative Compliance Payment option for Class II RPS requirements.

If you have any questions regarding the reporting requirements or the filing process, please contact Lucretia A. Smith by phone at (207) 287-1383 or by e-mail at Lucretia.Smith@maine.gov.

Sincerely,

/s/ Harry Lanphear

Harry Lanphear
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